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Some Folks

Might Think

that Blanke's Coffee is the only thing I sell, because it is the principal article I advertise. But, bless those folks, I have an all-round, up-to-date, clean grocery. I am proud of my business. It has been built up by carefully buying and selling pure foods, and by putting prices on everything just as low as I can afford.

I make a good deal of noise about Blanke's Coffee because it deserves all the praise it gets, and more too. It is first and best always. This is not merely my opinion. Everybody who uses it says the same thing. The cost is three pounds for \$1.

My Prices.

Maybe my prices seem higher than other grocers. Maybe they are lower. I don't know or care. But I do know this much—you will get 100 cents worth for every dollar spent at my grocery.

S. M. WHITE,

Pure Food Grocer.

KEYTESVILLE, - - - MISSOURI.

Missionary Mass-Meeting.

The following is the program of the missionary mass-meeting to be held at the Baptist church, in Keytesville, on Sunday evening, May 24th:

PROGRAM.
Song - - - "Guide Me O, Thou Great Jehovah!"
Prayer - - - Rev. C. F. D. Arnold.
Scriptural Reading, 2nd Peter, 1st Chapter.
Recitation - - - "He Loved the Children Long Ago."
Fannie Anderson.
Recitation - - - "Law of Love."
Song - - - Five Boys.
Song - - - "My Country 'Tis of Thee."
Recitation - - - "Who Is Thy Neighbor?"
Floy Whitesides.
Hymn - - - "Christ Receiveth Sinful Men."
Recitation - - - "A Mission Story."
Allie Whitesides.
Song - - - "Throw Out the Life Line."
Recitation - - - "Kemper Arnold."
Recitation - - - "Hurrah, for Our Country!"
Wallace Agee.
Solo - - - "Miss Nettie Moore."
Recitation - - - "All the Earth Shall Praise Thee, O, Lord."
Edgar Wilks.
Reading - - - "In an Italian Hospital."
Miss Addie Steele.
Recitation - - - "The Home Board and Our Neighbor."
Ten Little Girls.
Recitation - - - "Mamie Arnold."
Recitation - - - "Willie Julia Hill."
Song - - - "Earnest Workers."
Address - - - Rev. C. F. D. Arnold.
COLLECTION.
Song and benediction.

The subject of the mission for the present month is "Italy."
Come prepared to help the mission cause.

Stock Shipments.

The following stock shipments were made from Keytesville station to Chicago last Monday:

M. F. Courtney, three cars of cattle and one of hogs.

A. S. Taylor, two cars of cattle.

O. G. Chapman, one car of cattle and one car of hogs.

Messrs. M. F. Courtney, A. S. Taylor, O. G. Chapman and Thos. Har- ned went to the city with the several shipments.

The best of dental work is guaranteed to all who patronize Dr. J. B. Worley. At Hotel Snyder for 10 days beginning Tuesday, May 26th

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

A Good Time Coming For the Bankers of the State.

The annual convention of the Missouri Bankers' association will meet this year at Pertle Springs, Mo., on Tuesday and Wednesday, May the 26th and 27th. There will be addresses by Hon. James G. Cannon, of New York City; Hon. Lon V. Stephens, of Jefferson City, Mo., and Judge John W. Henry, of Kansas City.

PAPERS.

Chas. W. Stevenson, of Warrensburg, Mo., subject, "The Dignity of the Banking Business."

G. F. Putnam, Kansas City, subject, "Duties of Bank Directors."

George B. Harrison, Jr., Glasgow, Mo., subject, "The Destruction of Wealth by Fire."

Henry Wollman, attorney, of Kansas City, subject, "Bankers vs. the People."

F. E. Marshall, St. Louis, subject, "A Uniform Statement from Borrowers."

Hon. A. A. Lesueur, Jefferson City, subject, "Bank Examination as Exemplified by the Experience of the Execution of the New Law."

Hon. H. S. Julian, Kansas City, subject, "Usury Law."

Also the annual address by the president of the association, C. W. Seeber, of Higginsville, Mo.

The bankers and citizens of Warrensburg, will have charge of the entertainment. The Hotel Minnewawa, at Pertle Springs, Mo., will be headquarters. On the first day of the convention those who attend will have the privilege of a carriage drive about the city and to the quarries. The boats on the lakes and the fishing tackle will also be at the disposal of the bankers. At night there will be a bankers' ball. On the morning of the second day the bankers will visit the state normal school at Warrensburg, and after the afternoon session they will have the privilege of boating and fishing again. In the evening there will be a grand reception, finishing with a banquet.

This association has been growing from year to year until it is one of the largest of the State Bankers' associations. The attendance of the ladies has been increasing from year to year, and each banker this year will be expected to bring a lady.

Teachers Employed at Brunswick.

At a late meeting of the board of education, of the Brunswick village school, the following teachers were employed for the next scholastic year:

Prof. C. L. Buckmaster, of Sturgeon, Mo., principal; H. M. Dungan, of Nodaway county, assistant principal; Miss Rosa Jones, grammar department; Miss Olga Keuchler, intermediate, and Miss Cora Smutz, primary. Miss Maud Baker was also elected one of the assistant teachers, but no room has yet been assigned her. This leaves one assistant teacher for the white school yet to be selected.

The same teachers for the colored school as last year were retained, viz: Prof. J. H. Smith, principal; S. W. Bigby, assistant principal, and Miss Eva L. Sweatman for primary department.

Captured a Wolf.

On Thursday of last week Messrs. J. L. Turner, Frank Padgett, Will Milhauser and John Moore all started out with a half dozen hounds to enjoy the exciting pleasures of a fox hunt in Grand river bottom, some six miles north of Brunswick, but instead of running a Reynard to earth the dogs struck the trail of a large gray female wolf which one of the hunters finally succeeded in shooting, breaking both hind legs, after a chase of about four hours.

After the wolf was wounded a hot fight occurred between the animal and the hounds, in which the wolf was worsted on account of its painful wounds inflicted by a shot-gun, and soon succumbed to the inevitable.

Her wolfship was taken to Brunswick and placed on exhibition. It is

thought that she had young in the neighborhood of where she was captured, and the Brunswicker says an effort is being made to find them.

Wedding Bells.

PATTERSON-VAUGHN:—Mr. W. H. Patterson, of Carroll county, and Miss Mary E. Vaughn, of Triplett, were married at Triplett on Wednesday, May 20th, Rev. J. M. Settle officiating.

STRUB-ALBERS:—Mr. Ben M. Strub, of Brunswick, and Miss Louise M. Albers, one of Chillicothe's fair daughters, were united in the holy bonds of wedlock at the Catholic church, in the latter city, on Tuesday morning, May 12th, Rev. Father Fidelis launching their hymeneal bark.

The bridal couple were attended by Messrs. Julius Strub, of Brunswick, and J. E. Saale, of Chillicothe, and Misses Odila Saale, of Chillicothe, and Carrie Strub, of Brunswick.

Following the marriage ceremony and numerous congratulations a wedding feast fit for the gods was served at Mrs. Johanna Saale's, music being furnished by the Chillicothe orchestra.

On the following morning Mr. and Mrs. Strub came to Brunswick and repaired to the cosy home the bridegroom had previously prepared for his lovely bride.

On Wednesday night an old-fashioned reception was tendered the happy pair and a number of invited guests, at the home of the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig Strub, and at which good cheer and unbounded hospitality ran riot.

The COURIER takes pleasure in joining with the newly wedded pair's many friends in extending its best wishes for their future happiness and success in life.

EVERLY-COCKE:—Mr. S. E. Everly, of Brunswick, and Miss Jennie Cocke were married at the beautiful country home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Cocke, one mile north of Keytesville, on Tuesday afternoon, May 19th.

The nuptials were of an entirely unostentatious nature, and were witnessed by only a select few, mostly near relatives of the contracting couple.

The marriage ceremony was performed in a pleasing and impressive manner by Rev. J. O. Edmonston, of Brunswick.

Chariton county does not contain within its borders a more estimable, deserving pair than Mr. and Mrs. Everly.

Mr. Everly is not only one of Brunswick's most substantial citizens and reliable business men, but is a high-toned Christian gentleman as well. The bride was born and reared near Keytesville, and is possessed of a most amiable and lovable disposition. Her character, too, is adorned with the choicest of Christian graces.

After the marriage ceremony the bridal couple drove to Brunswick where they were tendered a reception by the ladies of the M. E. Church, South, on Tuesday evening.

They are now "at home" to their friends in an elegant cottage residence on Main street at Brunswick, which the bridegroom had previously erected and had nicely furnished for the reception of his beloved bride.

The COURIER extends congratulations, and trusts that their brightest hopes of wedded life may be fully realized.

What a Friendless, Homeless Boy Can Do With a Little Help.

Our readers remember that several years ago there was a number of homeless, orphan boys brought from New York by a philanthropic society, of that city, and for whom homes were procured with reputable citizens, of Chariton county. Among them was S. R. Meeson for whom a home was procured with Mr. J. T. Swain, who then lived on his farm, five miles northwest of Keytesville.

After remaining with Mr. Swain several years, young Meeson expressed a desire to learn the business of a photographer. To this end Mr. Swain

consented and aided him financially in learning the trade and purchasing his outfit, trusting to young Meeson's pluck and honesty to repay him. Meeson learned the trade with R. B. Crowder, of Salisbury, and afterward had a gallery at Prairie Hill, Higbee and Moberly.

Subsequently he went to Southwest Missouri and from there to Georgia. Since going to Georgia he has associated his brother with himself in business and is now a traveling photographer. On the 12th inst. he wrote Mr. Swain the following letter from Long Branch, New Jersey:

Mr. J. T. Swain, Keytesville, Mo.
Dear Friend:—I suppose you think I have almost forgotten you as I have not written you a letter for some time, not since I left the North, but I ask you to please pardon me as I think as much of you to-day as when under your care. I can say you are the one who put me where I am and I think I am further up the ladder than most boys of my limited experience. I am now doing good work in photography.

While I was in Americus, Georgia, I finished about 9,000 cabinet photos, did a good business in every town I have visited in Georgia, also in South Missouri.

I will leave here for Savannah, Georgia, in a few days, will go thence to Washington, D. C., Philadelphia and then home. I intend coming West again as soon as I get through my visit here, when I hope to see you, as I think much of friends out there and my old home.

You will find enclosed a draft for the amount I owe you, which I hope will be satisfactory. I have been able to settle with you ever since I left. Modestly, but I thought best to keep a little cash, fearing some bad luck might strike me. I am safe now, having averaged \$1.50 a month since coming to Georgia.

I hope you have good health now. I know you have been bothered with bad health since I left you. I am well, but don't like the southern climate in the summer.

Peaches will be ripe in Georgia next month.

Give my regards to all my friends. I hope to see you all next fall.

I am, truly your friend,
S. R. Meeson.

P. S. If anything is wrong with the draft let me hear from you.

Teller's Attitude.

In view of the conflicting reports concerning his attitude, Senator Teller, of Colorado, sent the following telegram to be read to the Republican state convention, held at Pueblo:

"Hon. Irving Howbert, Colorado Springs, Colo: I wish to say to the state convention through you that I do not desire to go to the national convention and cannot go unless the state convention is in accord with my ideas in declaring that in the coming campaign the silver question is the paramount issue. The state convention should act with the full knowledge that I do not intend to support a candidate on a gold-standard platform, or on a platform of doubtful construction. If this course puts me out of sympathy with the Republican sentiment of the state, as a portion of the Republican pressure alleges it will, I will accept that result with all its logical consequences in preference to an abandonment of principle and stultification of my record, made, as I conceive, under the instructions of every Republican state convention held in Colorado during the last 12 years.

Home Insurance.

The Farmers Mutual Insurance Companies are growing in favor among the farmers in Missouri.

In the Trenton Times of the 14th inst. E. Renfro certifies that his house and contents were insured in the Grundy County Farmers Mutual Insurance company on the 3rd day of May 1893, and that on the 21st of April, 1896, his dwelling was burned, with part of contents; that on the 23rd

The purtiest "gal"
I ever saw,
Was washing shirts
For her maw.

—Josh Billings.

Josh wrote that years ago. He is not writing poetry now. He's dead. Poor Joshua! he was probably inspired because the gal got the proper finish on her Shirts. Shirts with the proper finish on 'em look about as well on men as they do on gals. If you want Shirts that have got the proper "pucker" and finish to 'em get the UNITED BRAND. We open up our new line of UNITED BRAND SHIRTS to-morrow in all of its entirety. Prices 75 cents to \$1.50.

A Big Bargain

is the \$1.00 Mode Duck Overall which we are selling for 65 cents. Come and get one just for a speculation. Try a pair of Ox Breeches for work or dress. Another pair free if they rip. Price 75 cents to \$2.00.

Herbert White,

Gent's Furnisher,

Keytesville Mo.

WE STILL SELL NOTIONS.

of April his loss was adjusted and money paid to him on May 2nd.

Chariton county has a Farmers Mutual Fire and Lightning Insurance company with headquarters at Mendon, which is doing a large business and has spread pretty well over the county. The company is now carrying nearly \$350,000 in farm risks.

They have agents all over the county. Any one living in Chariton, Missouri, Bowlin Green or Keytesville township desiring to insure in this company will do well to call upon A. C. Vandiver at Keytesville, who is an authorized agent, or write him and he will visit you at once.

A Coon and His "Pop."

Eck Ellison, col., pleaded guilty in 'Squire Wm. Clark's court, in Clark township, last Wednesday on two counts, one for carrying concealed weapons and the other for exhibiting a dangerously and deadly weapon, to-wit: A revolving pistol, in a rude, angry and threatening manner in the presence of one or more persons.

His coonship was fined, by the court, \$50 on each count, but each fine was commuted to a jail sentence of 10 days, which, including the costs, will give the dusky artillery toater about 40 or 50 days on the county rock pile.

The offenses to which Ellison pleaded guilty were committed at Williams' park, just south of Marceline, but in Chariton county.

The prisoner was brought to Keytesville Wednesday afternoon by Prosecuting Attorney Wallace, turned over to Sheriff Dempsey and lodged in jail.

An Interesting Suit.

A suit, brought by Thos. E. Mackay against J. J. Dowell and B. G. Willett, elicited considerable attention and interest in 'Squire H. A. Wheeler's court, in Keytesville, last Monday.

The plaintiff brought suit against the defendants to recover the payment of a note for \$175 and interest, amounting, in all, to \$208. The case was first tried on Wednesday, May 7th, but at that time resulted in a hung jury. On last Monday, however, the jury returned a verdict for plaintiff for the full amount of note and interest—\$208.

It seems that the original note was given by Mr. Dowell to W. B. Oldham, and was made payable one day after date. In a few days Mr. Oldham demanded his money, which he succeeded in obtaining from Senator Mackay by B. G. Willett's signing the note Dowell gave to Oldham.

There was a clear understanding that Mr. Willett was to assume payment of the note, as he owed Dowell a sufficient amount to pay it, but he has never paid any of the principal, and the interest is now in arrears for nearly two years.

The legal point raised by plaintiff's attorneys, Judge O. F. Smith and J.

M. DeMoss, was that the original note as given to Oldham by Dowell had been changed by the addition of Willett's name, and that Dowell was therefore responsible for the note, as Willett was unknown on the note when it was given to Oldham, the original holder.

After the verdict of the jury last Monday, the defendants' attorneys, Messrs. Crawley & Son, promptly took an appeal to the next July term of the Salisbury circuit court.

Bryan's Open Letter to Carlisle.

In an open letter Hon. W. J. Bryan, of Nebraska, calls upon Mr. Carlisle to answer his own arguments, made in 1878, against the demonetization of silver. The letter is as follows:

Omaha, Neb., May 7, 1896.—Hon. John G. Carlisle, secretary of the Treasury: Dear Sir:—You have changed your position upon the paramount public issue and are now defending a financial policy which you once denounced. The advocates of free and unlimited coinage at 16 to 1 admit your right to change your opinion, but contend that you owe it to the public to answer the arguments which you yourself made in 1878 before attempting to answer the arguments of others.

You then accused John Sherman, who was secretary of the treasury at the time, of being in sympathy with the struggling masses. Do you now believe that your accusation was true? If your accusation against him was then true, how did you and he succeed in getting together? Whose sympathies underwent a change, yours or his? If you did him injustice at that time, when did you make the discovery, and have you ever apologized to him publicly or privately? Do you still believe that, on the money question, the interests of the "idle holders of idle capital" are antagonistic to the interests of the "struggling masses?"

In 1878 you denounced the conspiracy to destroy silver as a "gigantic crime." Did you ever withdraw that language before entering the cabinet? You then said that "the consummation of the scheme would ultimately entail more misery upon the human race than all wars, pestilences and famines that ever occurred in the history of the world." Do you now think the free coinage of silver could do any more damage than that? Your record challenges you to joint debate. Will you accept? Are you willing to take up your speech of 1878 and answer it, one proposition at a time? If you are, you will silence those who doubt your sincerity and question your motives. If you are not willing to face your own arguments and overcome them, you cannot complain if your opponents adopt the philosophy of Shakespeare, and attribute your cowardice to a guilty conscience.

Yours Truly,
W. J. BRYAN.